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Dear Reviewer,

### OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE LITTLE DEER PROJECT

The draft environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed Little Deer Project is now available for public review. The purpose of the draft EA is to gather comments from the public to improve the quality of the final EA. The EA covers the environmental consequences of the no action alternative, the modified proposed action, and an action alternative developed in response to public comments. The Little Deer project was developed to address: safety hazards, fire risk, marketable timber, firewood, and scenery conditions. The draft EA and supporting documents are available on the Klamath National Forest's project website at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=45313>.

The comment period for the draft EA is open for 30 days starting with publication of the Legal Notice in the Siskiyou Daily News. Commenters should not rely on dates from other sources. Publication of the Legal Notice is anticipated on December 8, 2014 with closing on January 7, 2015. The commenter is responsible for meeting this deadline (36 CFR 218.25).

We are particularly interested in hearing about any potential issues, or points of discussion, dispute, or debate about the effects of the proposed action. This project is subject to comment pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Comments received within the deadline will be considered. Comments must be specific to the scope of the proposed action. For example, think about the following questions and provide comments about the "what" and "why": (1) what information would you like us to provide and why; (2) what concerns do you have in regards to the proposal and why; and (3) what changes should we consider in our project design and why.

Individuals or representatives of an entity submitting comments must sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21). Commenters are required to supply full citations to all referenced literature and discuss their relevancy to the project in order for comments to be considered eligible to file an objection. The Forest Service reserves the right to request copies from commenters of any literature cited but not provided with comment letters.

Electronic comments can be submitted at the Klamath National Forest's project webpage: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=45313> by selecting the "Comment on



Project” link in the “Get Connected” group at the right hand side of the project webpage. Put the project name in the subject line; attachments may be in the following formats: plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc, .docx), or portable document format (.pdf).

Written comments can be submitted via fax (530) 398-5749 or mailed to Goosenest Ranger District, ATTN: Jamie Kolesar, Goosenest Ranger District, 37805 Hwy 97, Macdoel, CA, 96058 or hand-delivered during normal business hours (8am to 4:30pm Monday-Friday, excluding holidays). For oral comments or for more project information contact team lead Jamie Kolesar at (530) 398-5730 or [jkolesar@fs.fed.us](mailto:jkolesar@fs.fed.us).

For additional information, the Goosenest Ranger District office will host an Open House on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 5 p.m. The District will describe project goals, proposed treatments, and different opportunities for public input on the Little Deer Project. Guests will also have an opportunity to ask questions regarding the project.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,



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District Ranger